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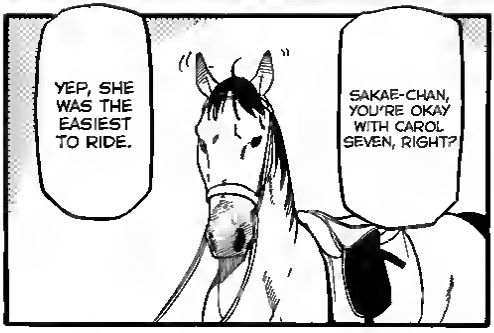

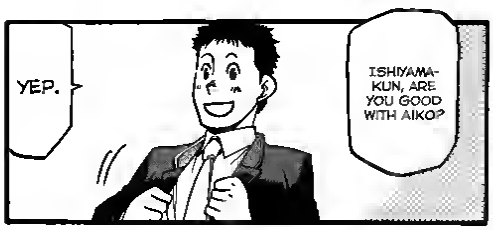

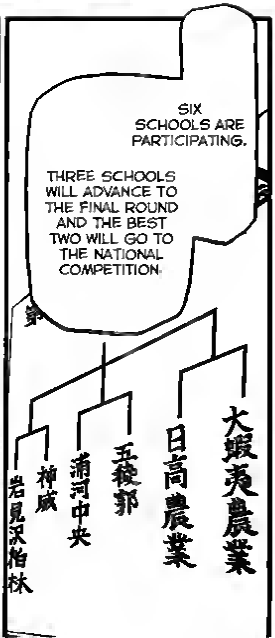

I THINK I'LL GO WITH MOMOTARO.
SOUNDS GOOD!
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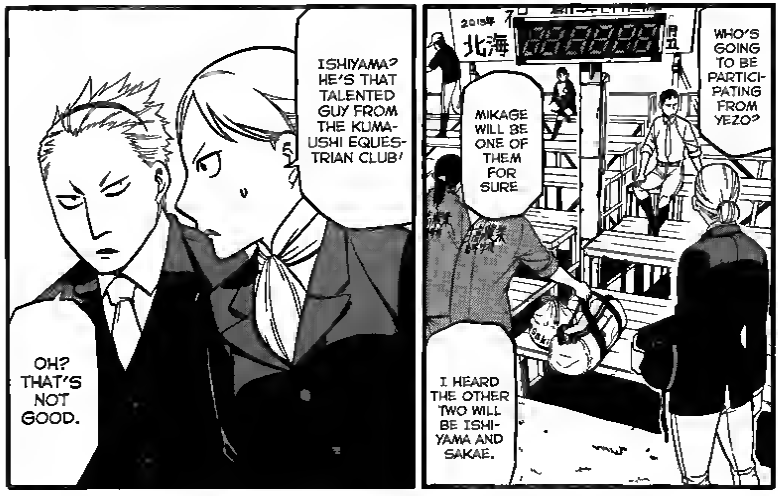
ISHIYAMA? HE'S THAT TALENTED GUY FROM THE KUMAUSHI EQUESTRIAN CLUB!
OH? THAT'S NOT GOOD.
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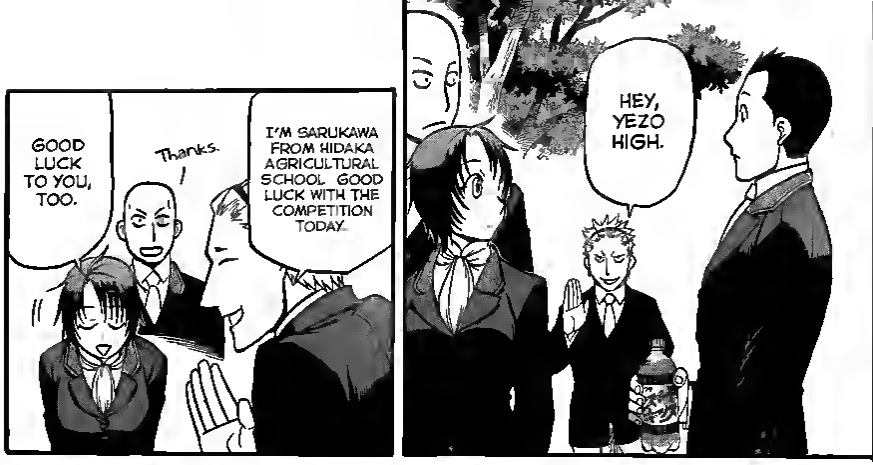
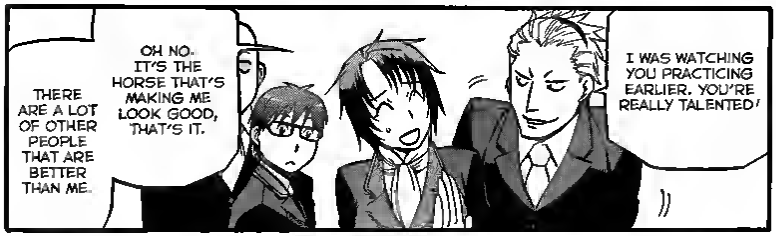
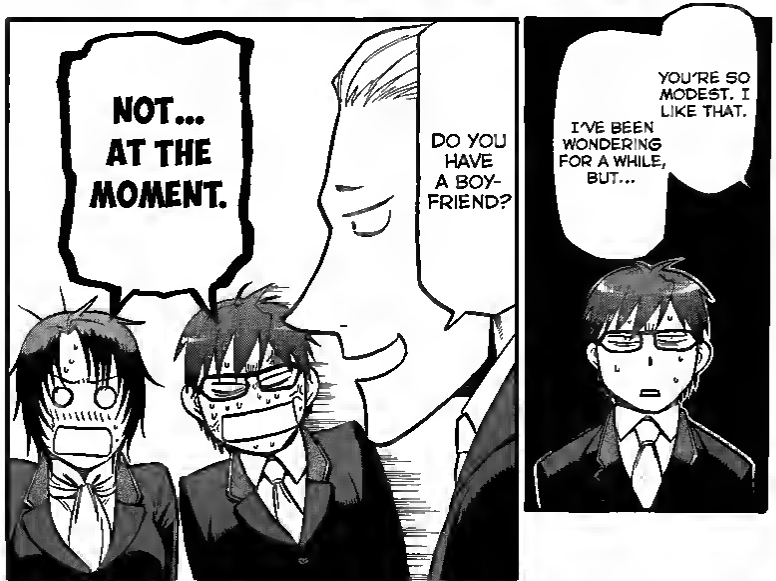
WHO'S GOING TO BE PARTICIPATING FROM YEZO?
MIKAGE WILL BE ONE OF THEM FOR SURE
I HEARD THE OTHER TWO WILL BE ISHIYAMA AND SAKAE.

I OVERHEARD THAT MIKAGE'S GOOD AT DEALING WITH QUIRKY HORSES.
MI-KAGE, HUH ...?
THEY HAVE TO USE MOMO-TARO, AND HE'S SUP-POSED TO BE A BIT A QUIRKY HORSE ..
WHO KNOWS HOW THE MATCH WILL TURN OUT?
SARU-KAWA, WHERE ARE YOU GOING!?
LET'S SHAKE THINGS UP A BIT.
GEEZ, I WISH HE'D STOP DOING STUFF LIKE THAT.
HE'S JUST BEING A PERVERTED MONKEY.
IS HE DOING ONE OF HIS "MIND TRICKS?"


HEY, YEZO HIGH.
I'M SARUKAWA FROM HIDAKA AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL. GOOD LUCK WITH THE COMPETITION TODAY.
Thanks.
GOOD LUCK TO YOU, TOO.

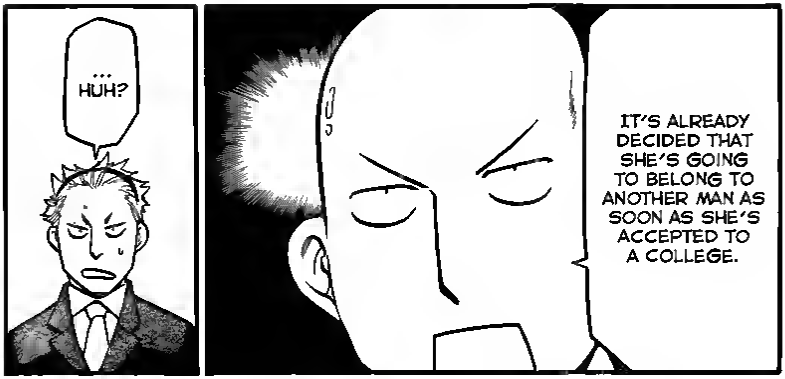

I WAS WATCHING YOU PRACTICING EARLIER. YOU'RE REALLY TALENTED!
OH NO. IT'S THE HORSE THAT'S MAKING ME LOOK GOOD, THAT'S IT.
THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE THAT ARE BETTER THAN ME.


YOU'RE SO MODEST. I LIKE THAT.
I'VE BEEN WONDERING FOR A WHILE, BUT...
DO YOU HAVE A BOY-FRIEND?
NOT... AT THE MOMENT.

SO ARE YOU SAYING THAT IF WE WEREN'T COMPETING, YOU'D THINK ABOUT IT?
MAN, I KNEW I SHOULD HAVE GONE TO YEZO.
WHAT, YOU COULD HAVE ENTERED EZONO?
WHAT!? THIS ISN'T THE TIME FOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
REALLY? PERHAPS I SHOULD APPLY FOR THE POSITION.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!? WE'RE ABOUT TO COMPETE AGAINST EACH OTHER!
SHIN-HIDAKA FOURTH MIDDLE SCHOOL SOMEONE NAMED NISHIKAWA.
OH!! NISHI-KAWA!!
MAN, I REALLY WISH I COULD HAVE GONE TO THE SAME SCHOOL AS MIKAGE-SAN.
SOMEONE ELSE GOT THE REFERRAL SPOT.
WHAT WAS YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOL?
WHO GOT THE SPOT?
HE'S REALLY INTO ANIME AND GAMES!

I BROKE HIS ANIME DVDS AND DELETED THE SAVE FILES FROM HIS GAMES.
IT WAS KIND OF DISGUSTING SO I THOUGHT ABOUT TRYING TO FIX HIM.
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT. HE'S SUCH AN OTAKU
REALLY? NO? CAN I AT LEAST GET YOUR NUMBER?
HEY, MIKAGE-SAN, WHAT DO YOU THINK? I'M TOTALLY COOL WITH A LONG DISTANCE RELATIONSHIP, YOU KNOW.
SERIOUSLY, WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?
BUT EVEN AFTER ALL THAT, HE NEVER SHED HIS OTAKU HABITS.
HUH? WHAT? VIOLENCE IS NEVER THE SOLUTION, YOU KNOW!
HEY BRO, COME 'ERE FOR A SEC.
HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY!!
AKI-NEECHAN SURE IS POPULAR.

HELLO? NISHI-KAWA?
YEAH? WHAT IS IT?
WE'RE GETTING HARASSED BY SOME GUY NAMED SARUKAWA WHO SAYS HE WENT TO THE SAME MIDDLE SCHOOL AS YOU.
SARU-KAWA, HUH?
HEY, THERE'S NO POINT IN YOU TRYING TO FLIRT WITH OUR CLUB PRESIDENT.
I DON'T CARE WHAT HE SAYS ABOUT ME, BUT I CAN'T STAND BY SILENTLY IF HE'S GOING TO BOTHER MY PALS RIGHT BEFORE AN IMPORTANT MATCH.
SURE, SHE'S NOT IN A RELATIONSHIP RIGHT NOW, BUT...
SHE SAID HERSELF THAT SHE'S NOT SEEING ANYBODY.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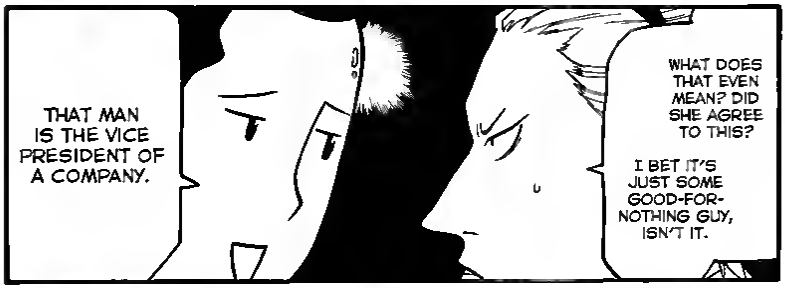
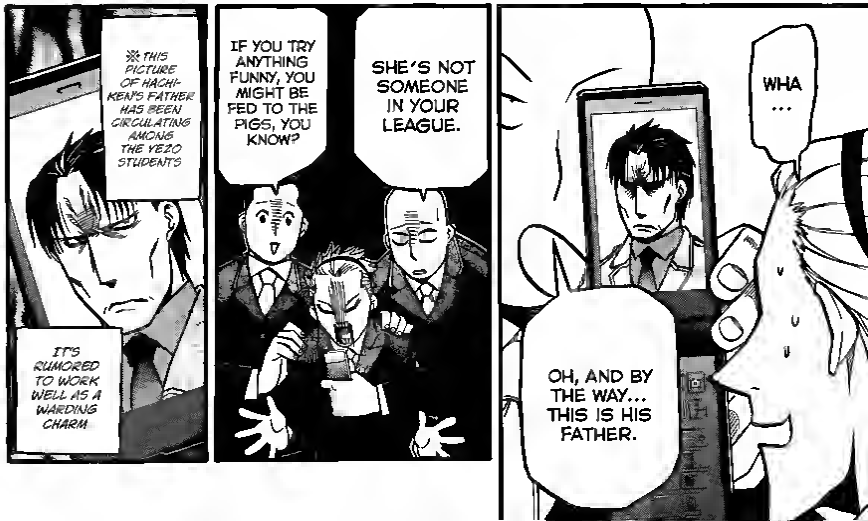
HUH?
IT'S ALREADY DECIDED THAT SHE'S GOING TO BELONG TO ANOTHER MAN AS SOON AS SHE'S ACCEPTED TO A COLLEGE.


THAT MAN IS THE VICE PRESIDENT OF A COMPANY.
WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN? DID SHE AGREE TO THIS?
I BET IT'S JUST SOME GOOD-FOR-NOTHING GUY, ISN'T IT.


※THIS PICTURE OF HACHI-KEN'S FATHER HAS BEEN CIRCULATING AMONG THE YEZO STUDENTS
IT'S RUMORED TO WORK WELL AS A WARDING CHARM
IF YOU TRY ANYTHING FUNNY, YOU MIGHT BE FED TO THE PIGS, YOU KNOW?
SHE'S NOT SOMEONE IN YOUR LEAGUE.
WHA…
OH, AND BY THE WAY… THIS IS HIS FATHER.

I HEAR YOU WERE [redacted] BACK IN MIDDLE SCHOOL?
HEY, SARU-KAWA-KUUUN,
Yakuza...
He's a Yakuza...
WAAAAHH!!!!
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YOU DID [redacted] TO A GIRL FROM [redacted] AND [redacted] WAS
OH AND [redacted] IS RIGHT?
WAAAAH!!!!
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SARU-KAWA'S IN SHAM-BLES!!
WHAT HAP-PENED TO HIM !?
THOSE WHO CONTROL THE KNOWLEDGE CONTROL THE WORLD!!

THAT WAS CLOSE!
WOAH!
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THE THREE PARTICIPANTS FROM YEZO AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL HAVE A TOTAL OF TWELVE DEMERIT POINTS!
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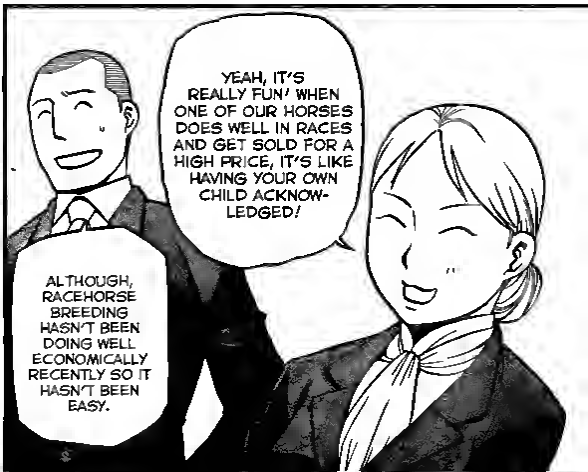
大蝦夷農業
18
日高農業
13
五稜郭
HIDAKA AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL FINISHES WITH EIGHTEEN!
浦河中央
YEZO AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL ADVANCES TO THE FINAL ROUND!
岩見沢
HEY, YEZO HIGH!
SORRY, DID ONE OF OUR TEAMMATES SAY SOMETHING RUDE TO YOU BEFORE THE MATCH?
...OH, THAT?
IT DIDN'T BOTHER ME.
THAT'S WHY YOU CAME TO TALK TO US?
I was a little surprised though.
PHEW, I'M GLAD!
ANYWAY, SARUKAWA'S BEEN SCARED WITLESS ABOUT SOMETHING...
HE KEEPS SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT A VICE PRESIDENT AND YAKUZA...
HEY!!

THE YAKUZA HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!!
THIS IS WHAT I'M DOING!!
OH? YOU HAVE A BUSINESS CARD?
YOU'RE STARTING A BUSINESS AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT!?

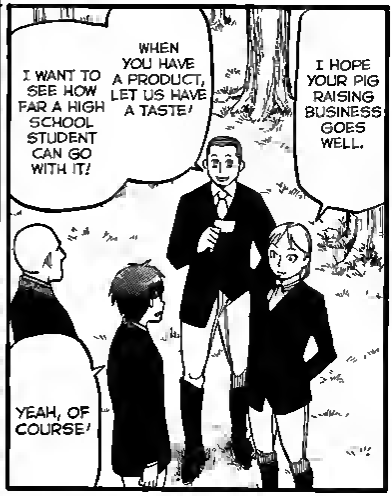
REALLY? THAT'S REALLY INTERESTING
YOU GUYS ARE DOING INTERESTING STUFF TOO. RAISING RACEHORSES AT A HIGH SCHOOL AND SUCH

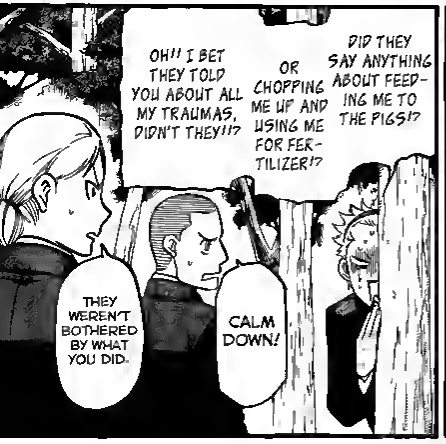
WE'RE RAISING FREE-RANGE PIGS
TO CUT COSTS, WE'RE USING OVERGROWN LAND
AND IT ADDS VALUE, TOO

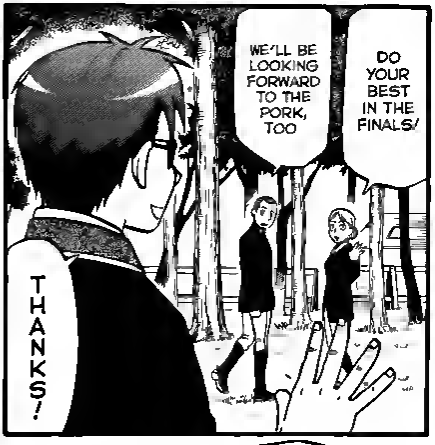
WE'D NEVER DO THIS IF WE DIDN'T LOVE DOING IT, RIGHT?
YEAH.


YEAH, IT'S REALLY FUN! WHEN ONE OF OUR HORSES DOES WELL IN RACES AND GET SOLD FOR A HIGH PRICE, IT'S LIKE HAVING YOUR OWN CHILD ACKNOWLEDGED!
ALTHOUGH, RACEHORSE BREEDING HASN'T BEEN DOING WELL ECONOMICALLY RECENTLY SO IT HASN'T BEEN EASY.

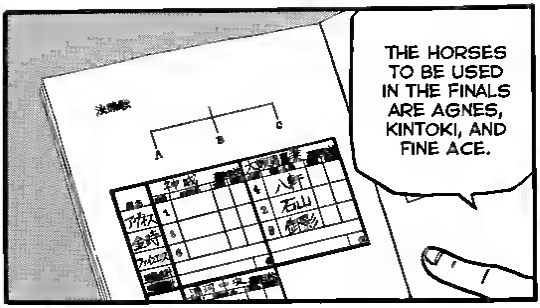
CAN WE CONTACT YOU WITH WHAT'S ON THIS BUSINESS CARD?
YEP.
LET'S EXCHANGE EMAIL ADDRESSES, HACHIKEN-KUN.


I HOPE YOUR PIG RAISING BUSINESS GOES WELL.
WHEN YOU HAVE A PRODUCT, LET US HAVE A TASTE!
I WANT TO SEE HOW FAR A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT CAN GO WITH IT!
YEAH, OF COURSE!


OH!! I BET THEY TOLD YOU ABOUT ALL MY TRAUMAS, DIDN'T THEY!!?
OR CHOPPING ME UP AND USING ME FOR FERTILIZER!?
DID THEY SAY ANYTHING ABOUT FEEDING ME TO THE PIGS!?
THEY WEREN'T BOTHERED BY WHAT YOU DID.
CALM DOWN!


DO YOUR BEST IN THE FINALS!
WE'LL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE PORK, TOO
THANKS!

THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO NOW ABOUT GROUP MATCHES, BUT DO YOUR BEST WITH THE INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION, SARUKAWA.
COME ON, LET'S CHEER ON THE TEAMS THAT ARE COMPETING IN THE FINALS.
YEAH ...


THE HORSES TO BE USED IN THE FINALS ARE AGNES, KINTOKI, AND FINE ACE.

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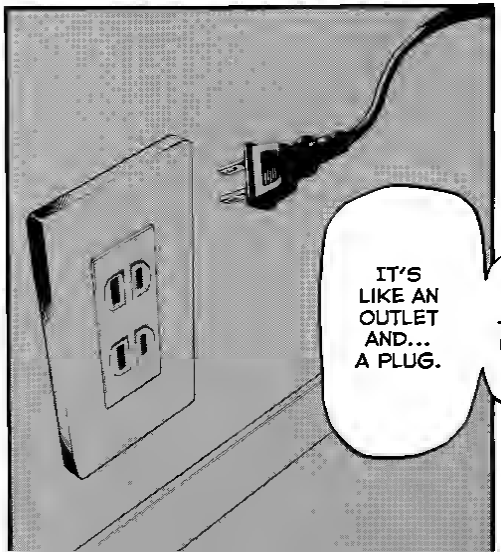
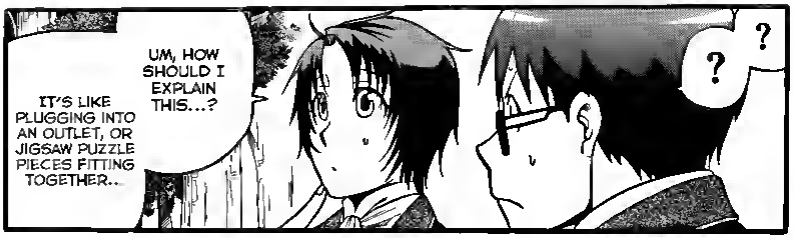
THE FINALS, HUH...?

Quirky horses!
UGH, WHY IS IT ALWAYS ME..?
OH.

THESE HORSES ARE EVEN MORE QUIRKY THAN THE ONES FROM THE PREVIOUS MATCH.
GOOD LUCK, HACHI-KEN-KUN.
WHAT !!?


IT'S LIKE AN OUTLET AND... A PLUG.

A TRICK? HMM...
OR IS IT SOMETHING YOU CAN ONLY ENJOY WHEN YOU GET GOOD AT IT?
IS THERE A TRICK TO ENJOYING RIDING A QUIRKY HORSE?


UM, HOW SHOULD I EXPLAIN THIS...?
IT'S LIKE PLUGGING INTO AN OUTLET, OR JIGSAW PUZZLE PIECES FITTING TOGETHER..
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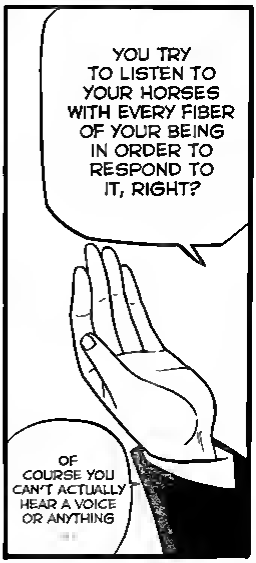
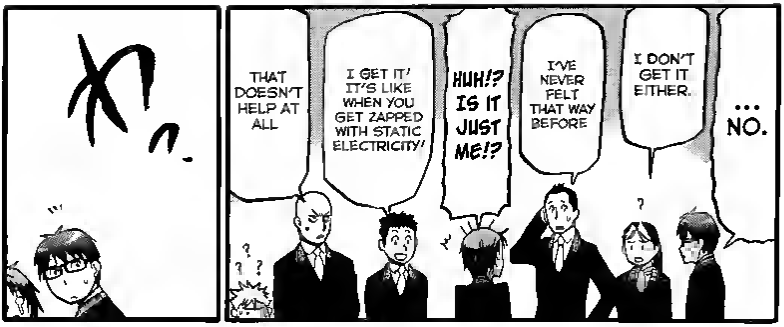
BUT WHEN YOU RIDE, SOMETIMES YOU GET THIS FEELING...
YOU BECOME THE PLUG AND THERE'S A MOMENT WHEN YOU CAN FEEL LIKE YOU JUST CLICK INTO THE SOCKET.


YOU TRY TO LISTEN TO YOUR HORSES WITH EVERY FIBER OF YOUR BEING IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO IT, RIGHT?
OF COURSE YOU CAN'T ACTUALLY HEAR A VOICE OR ANYTHING

WHEN THAT HAPPENS, IT'S LIKE YOUR MOVEMENTS AND THE HORSE'S MOVEMENTS BECOME ONE AND THE SAME.
AT THAT POINT, YOU CAN'T TELL IF IT'S YOU HAVING FUN OR IF IT'S THE HORSE HAVING FUN ANYMORE.
YOU'VE FELT THAT WAY BEFORE, RIGHT?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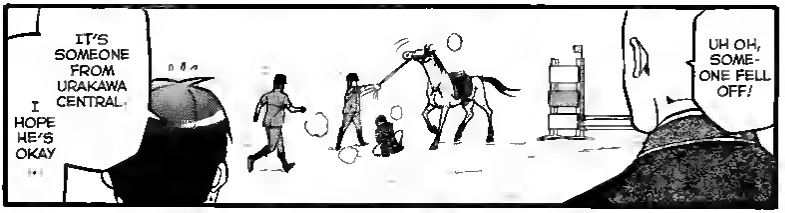
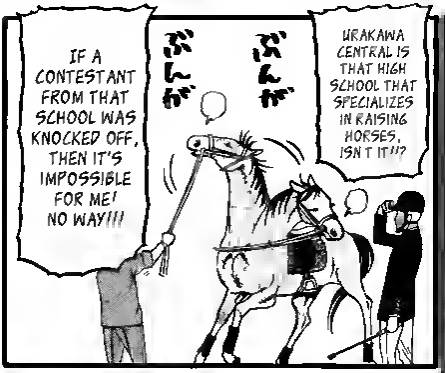
NO.
I DON'T GET IT EITHER.
I'VE NEVER FELT THAT WAY BEFORE
HUH!? IS IT JUST ME!?
I GET IT! IT'S LIKE WHEN YOU GET ZAPPED WITH STATIC ELECTRICITY!
THAT DOESN'T HELP AT ALL


UH OH, SOMEONE FELL OFF!
IT'S SOMEONE FROM URAKAWA CENTRAL.
I HOPE HE'S OKAY


URAKAWA CENTRAL IS THAT HIGH SCHOOL THAT SPECIALIZES IN RAISING HORSES, ISN'T IT!!?
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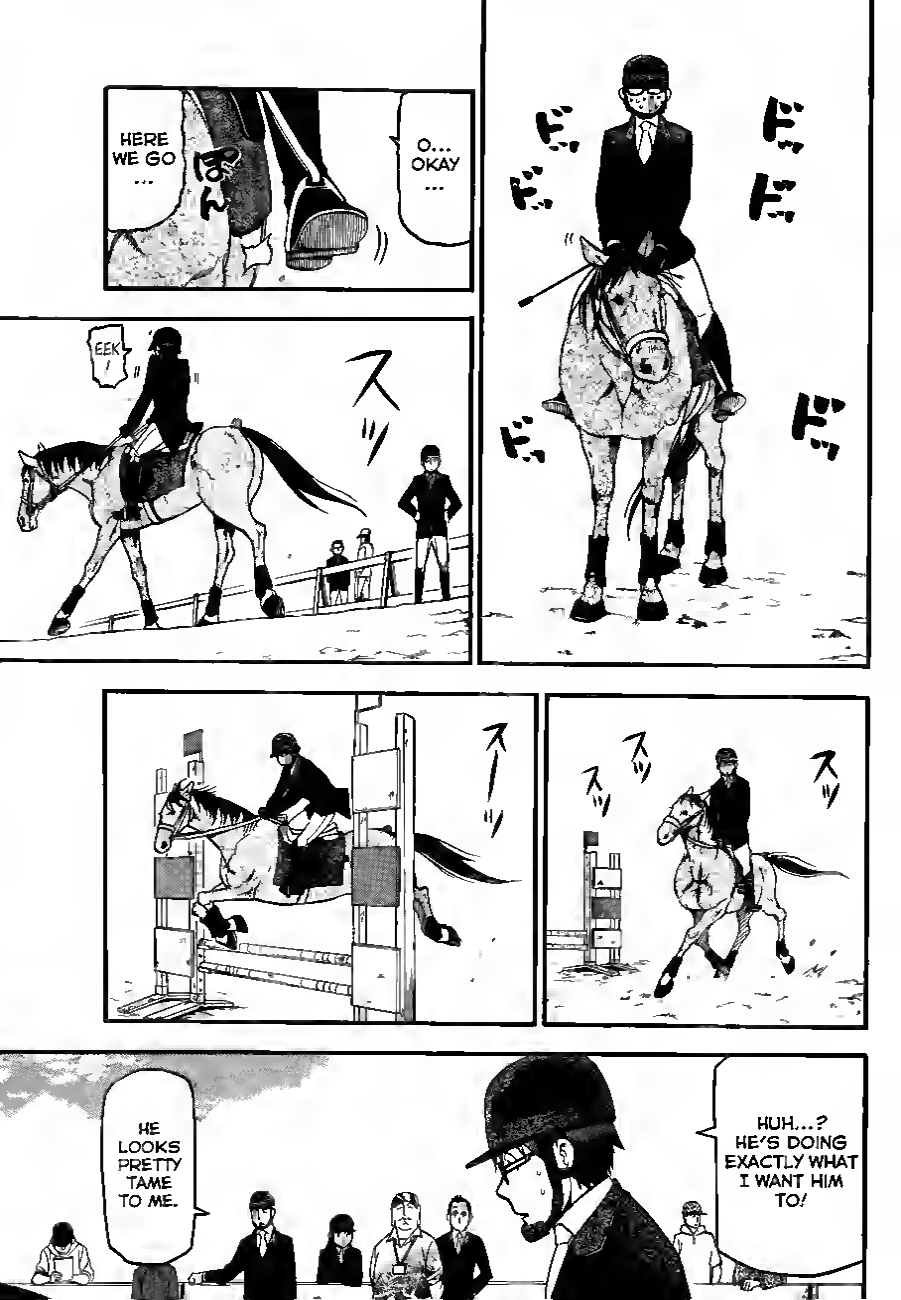
IF A CONTESTANT FROM THAT SCHOOL WAS KNOCKED OFF, THEN IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME! NO WAY!!!

THAT'S AGNES.
HACHIKEN-KUN, THAT'S THE HORSE YOU'LL BE RIDING.
WHAT !!?

YEZO HIGH, PLEASE BEGIN YOUR PRACTICE.
GYAHOO


O... OKAY ...
HERE WE GO ...
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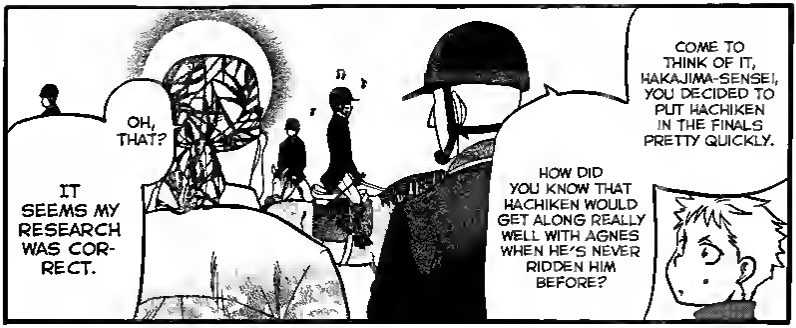
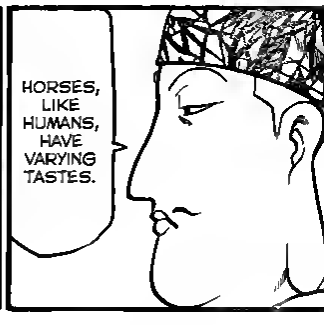
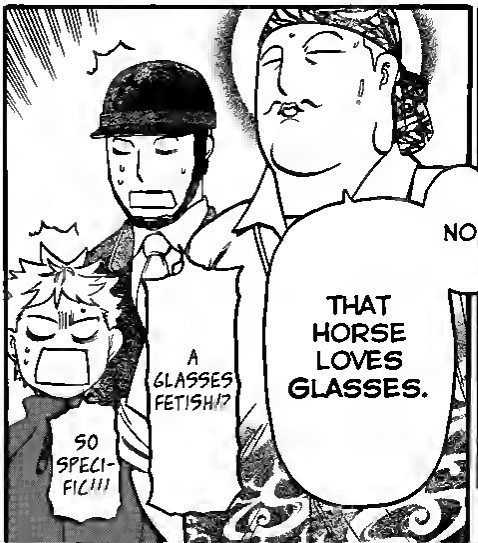
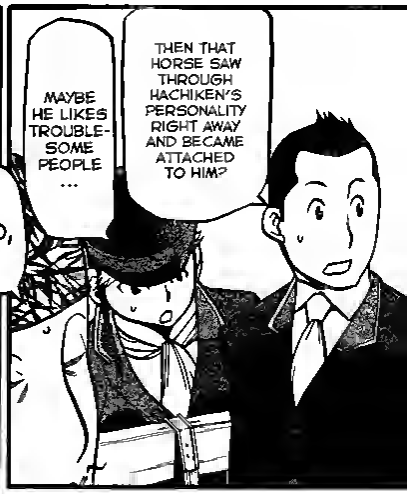

COME TO THINK OF IT, HAKAJIMA-SENSEI, YOU DECIDED TO PUT HACHIKEN IN THE FINALS PRETTY QUICKLY.
HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT HACHIKEN WOULD GET ALONG REALLY WELL WITH AGNES WHEN HE'S NEVER RIDDEN HIM BEFORE?
OH, THAT?
IT SEEMS MY RESEARCH WAS COR-RECT.

TAKE MOMOTARO FOR EXAMPLE HE LIKES GIRLS
OTHER HORSES CAN'T STAND RIDERS WHO HAVE A WHIP.
SOME HORSES WILL TEST ANYONE WHO RIDES THEM.


HORSES, LIKE HUMANS, HAVE VARYING TASTES.


NO,
THAT HORSE LOVES GLASSES.
A GLASSES FETISH!?
SO SPECI-FIC!!!


MAYBE HE LIKES TROUBLE-SOME PEOPLE ...
THEN THAT HORSE SAW THROUGH HACHIKEN'S PERSONALITY RIGHT AWAY AND BECAME ATTACHED TO HIM?